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OPERABLE UNIT 5, WOMAN CREEK PRIORITY DRAINAGE FEASIBILITY STUDY MEETING
MINUTES - CAB-013-95

Action Forward meeting minutes to the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) and the
Colorado Department of Public Health and Environment (CDPHE)

Enclosed for transmittal to the EPA and the CDPHE are the meeting minutes from the
meeting held on January 25, 1995, to discuss the best way to pursue evaluating options for
the closure of the Original Landfill (IHSS 115/196), i.e., presumptive remedy approach
versus a Feasibility Study

If you have any questions regarding this transmittal, please contact me at 966-9100

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Meeting Minutes

OU5 Feasibility Study Review Meeting 25 January 1995

Meeting Location EG&G (Interlocken, East Conference Room)

Meeting Time 2 00 PM

Meeting Attendees. Carol Bicher, EG&G
Robert Cygnarowicz, EG&G
Andrew Ellison, Metcalf & Eddy
Mary Lee Hogg, ICF Kaiser
Kent Krumvieda, RUST
Bonnie Lavelle, EPA
Ed Mast, EG&G
Kurt Muenchow, DOE
Rotha Randall, EG&G
Tim O'Rourke, EG&G
Paul Singh, DOE
Carl Spreng, CDPHE
Mark Wood, EG&G
Mark Yaskanin, RUST

The meeting began with a discussion of the purpose of the meeting which was to agree upon the best way to pursue evaluating options for closure of the Original Landfill (i.e., presumptive remedy vs feasibility study). The meeting agenda (Attachment 8) was then reviewed with respect to achieving the desired goal of the meeting. All attendees agreed that the agenda included all items necessary for the discussion.

The attendees then discussed the alternative analysis that was conducted at the last OU5 FS review meeting and the alternative analysis that was conducted independently by CDPHE (Attachment 7). The three alternatives examined in these exercises were in-place containment (i.e., the presumptive remedy), excavation and onsite disposal in a newly constructed cell, and excavation and offsite disposal at Envirocare. The discussion focused on the qualitative nature of these exercises and the need for additional information from the remedial investigation and the geotechnical investigation. The following two specific data requirements were discussed: a hydrogeological conceptual model that provides information concerning groundwater flow in IHSS 115 and the slope stability analysis of the hillside based on the results of the boring.

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program. The required conceptual model and geotechnical information are critical to evaluating the effectiveness and cost of in-place containment.

R. Cygnarowicz noted that the alternative analysis exercises that were recently conducted by the FS team and CDPHE were useful in considering alternatives to the presumptive remedy, but that the analyses are not "defensible" and therefore cannot be used to select a final alternative for implementation.

Components of a defensible alternative evaluation were then discussed and included the following:

- defensible evaluations must be based on the conclusions of the remedial investigation,
- the evaluation criteria should be weighted as appropriate to the evaluation at hand, and
- the evaluation criteria used must be explicitly defined.

All attendees agreed that a defensible comparative analysis was needed.

The flowchart presented in Attachment 2 was presented to illustrate the connection between the work currently being conducted under the presumptive remedy and the work currently being conducted under the CMS/FS (i.e., all other OU5 IHSSs). R. Cygnarowicz discussed the original schedule for conducting the OU5 CMS/FS that was submitted to the regulatory agencies in the Fall '94 (Attachment 3). He noted that the original schedule included selection of the type of cap for the Landfill in March '95 and that the rationale for the selection documented in the Presumptive Remedy Report.

R. Cygnarowicz noted that in order to prepare a defensible comparison of the presumptive remedy to excavation and on- or offsite disposal, data from the RI and geotechnical boring program are necessary as noted earlier. The group then reviewed a revised schedule for conducting a "mini-FS" for the landfill (Attachment 4). The mini-FS would incorporate the results of the RI (i.e., human health risk assessment, environmental risk assessment, and hydrogeological conceptual model) and the slope stability analysis. Incorporating these data into the mini-FS would allow completion of a detailed analysis of alternatives (DAA) for the Landfill in November 1995 as indicated in Attachment 4.

The shorter duration for completion of the DAA and CMS/FS Report for the other OU5 IHSSs was discussed (Attachment 4). R. Cygnarowicz noted that this shorter duration is a result of the assumption that several OU5 IHSSs will be determined "no further action" and the need for conducting detailed analysis on a limited range of remedial alternatives for the ash pits (i.e., range of alternatives resulting from the Development and Screening of Alternatives will be limited).

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R Cygnarowicz noted that the much smaller time difference between completion of a DAA for the Landfill and completion of a DAA for the other OU5 IHSSs shown in Attachment 4 eliminates any benefit of conducting a separate feasibility study for the Landfill. The revised schedule suggests that only one feasibility study be conducted for all OU5 IHSS, including the Landfill.

R Cygnarowicz noted that there is EPA guidance for conducting a Presumptive Remedy and there is guidance for conducting an FS, but that there is no guidance for preparing the "mini-FS".

B Lavelle and C Spreng both agreed that if it made sense to conduct a mini-FS for the Landfill, that we could find a way to "legitimize" the approach.

T O'Rourke suggested the use of EE/CA [Engineering Evaluation/Cost Analysis] guidance which only requires consideration of a limited number of reasonable alternatives.

K Muenchow stated that if we were not going to pursue the Presumptive Remedy for the Landfill, it would be best to conduct a full FS. This would allow consideration of risks posed by the Landfill and perhaps consideration of alternatives involving institutional controls.

C Bicher asked CDPHE if they are not willing to support the Presumptive Remedy approach for the Original Landfill based on their qualitative analysis of alternatives (Attachment 7).

C Spreng, CDPHE, stated that at this time they could not presume that the Presumptive Remedy is the best alternative for the Landfill.

C Bicher asked if CDPHE would support containment in place for IHSS 115/196 if a defensible analysis incorporating conclusions of the RI and data from the geotechnical boring identified in-place containment as the preferred alternative.

C Spreng stated that CDPHE would support in-place containment if a feasibility study for the Landfill identifies in-place containment as the best choice.

M Yaskanin and R Cygnarowicz presented a preliminary conceptual sketch illustrating the cross section of a buttressing berm installed at the toe of the Landfill (Attachment 5). It was noted that preliminary design work suggests that an 1,800-foot long berm will be required if approximately 25% of the landfill wastes are "consolidated" to make the footprint of the Landfill smaller. The wastes that would be consolidated are those currently located to the south of the South Interceptor Ditch as well as wastes comprising the eastern and western most portions of the Landfill. R Cygnarowicz noted that estimates of up to 160,000 cubic yards of soil would have to be removed to create the excavation in which the berm could be constructed. R Cygnarowicz also noted that worst case life cycle costs for capping the landfill were estimated. This cost estimate included a liner-based cover as illustrated in Attachment 6 and an approximately 30-foot

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deep grout curtain around the perimeter of the Landfill

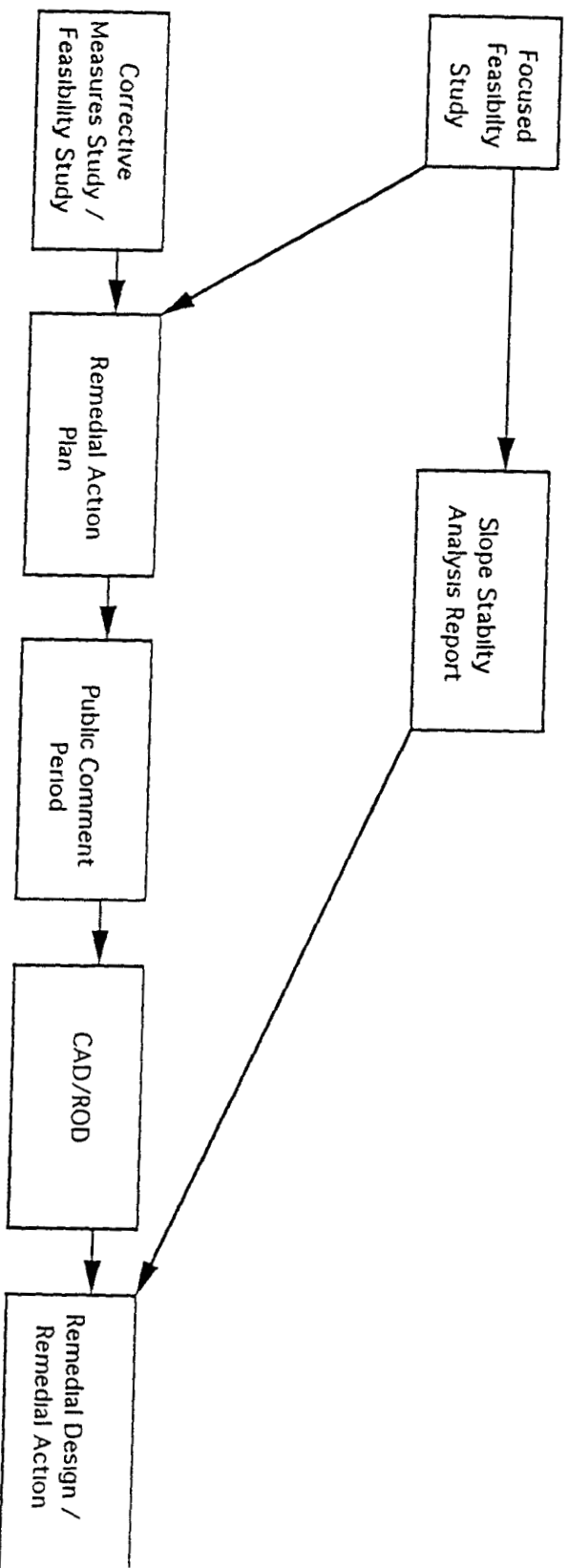
K Muenchow asked if other, less costly designs to stabilize and cover the Landfill have been examined

R Cygnarowicz noted that the single-berm is the only design that the FS team has examined with respect to life-cycle cost analysis, but that others would be examined when the results of the geotechnical boring program are available M Yaskanin emphasized that the single-berm conceptual design and the associated excavation and cost estimates are preliminary and that more accurate estimates will be made when the results of the geotechnical boring program and the RI are available

M Wood and M Yaskanin reported on the status of the OU5 geotechnical boring program

The meeting concluded with an agreement that a "full FS" analysis will be conducted for the Landfill and that with respect to written documentation, this work will be combined with the FS that is currently being prepared for the other OU5 IHSSs

PRESUMPTIVE REMEDY APPROACH



TRADITIONAL APPROACH

Figure 1
Original Schedule
Presumptive Remedy & CMS/FS

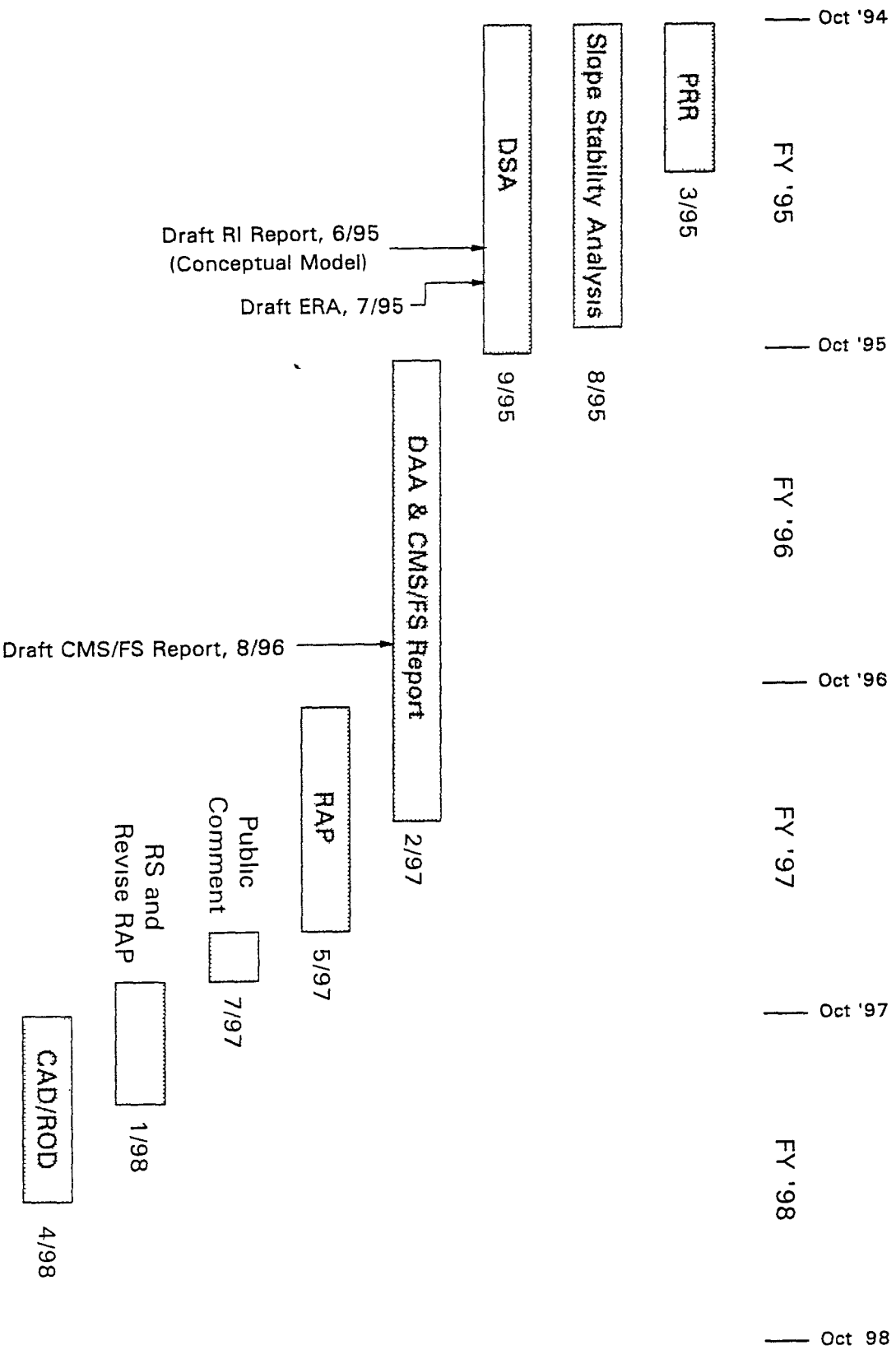
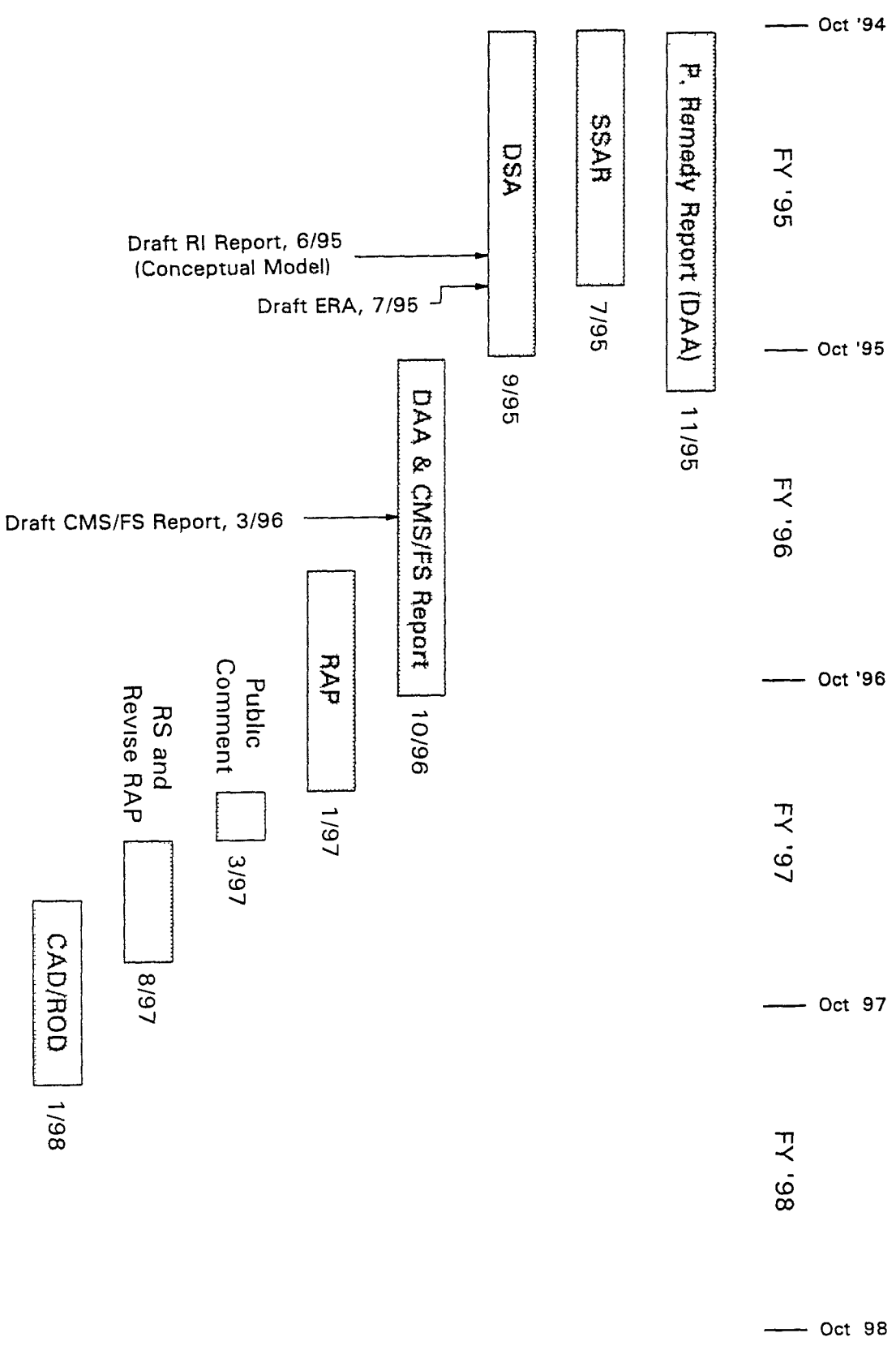
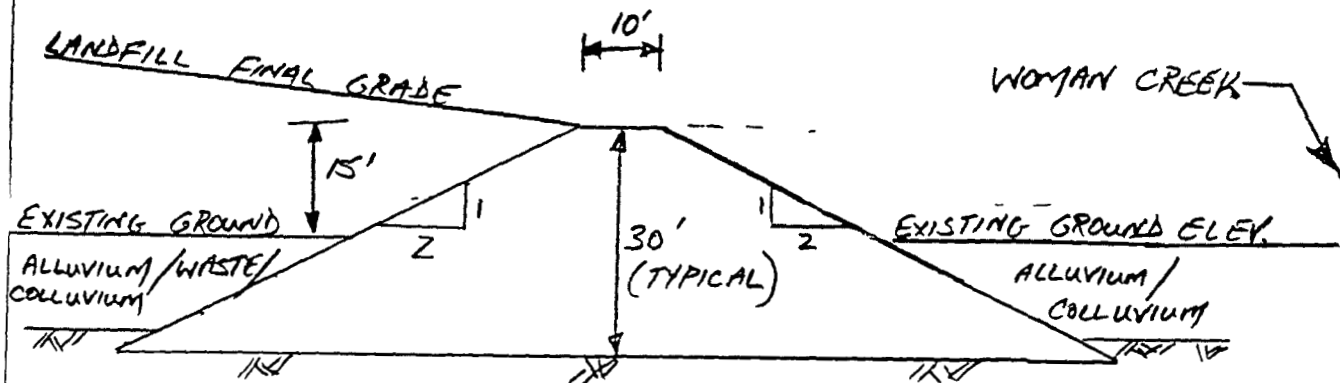


Figure 2
Revised Schedule
Landfill "Mini FS" & CMS/FS



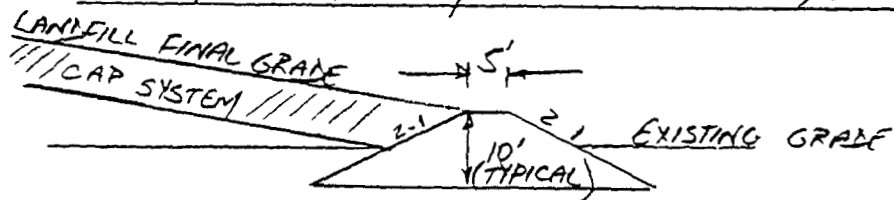
CONCEPTUAL DESIGN

STABILIZING BERM ALONG SOUTH SIDE



NOTE: STABILIZING BERM TO BE CONSTRUCTED OF STRUCTURAL FILL AND KEYED INTO CLAYSTONE BEDROCK.

ANCHOR BERM ALONG NORTH, EAST + WEST

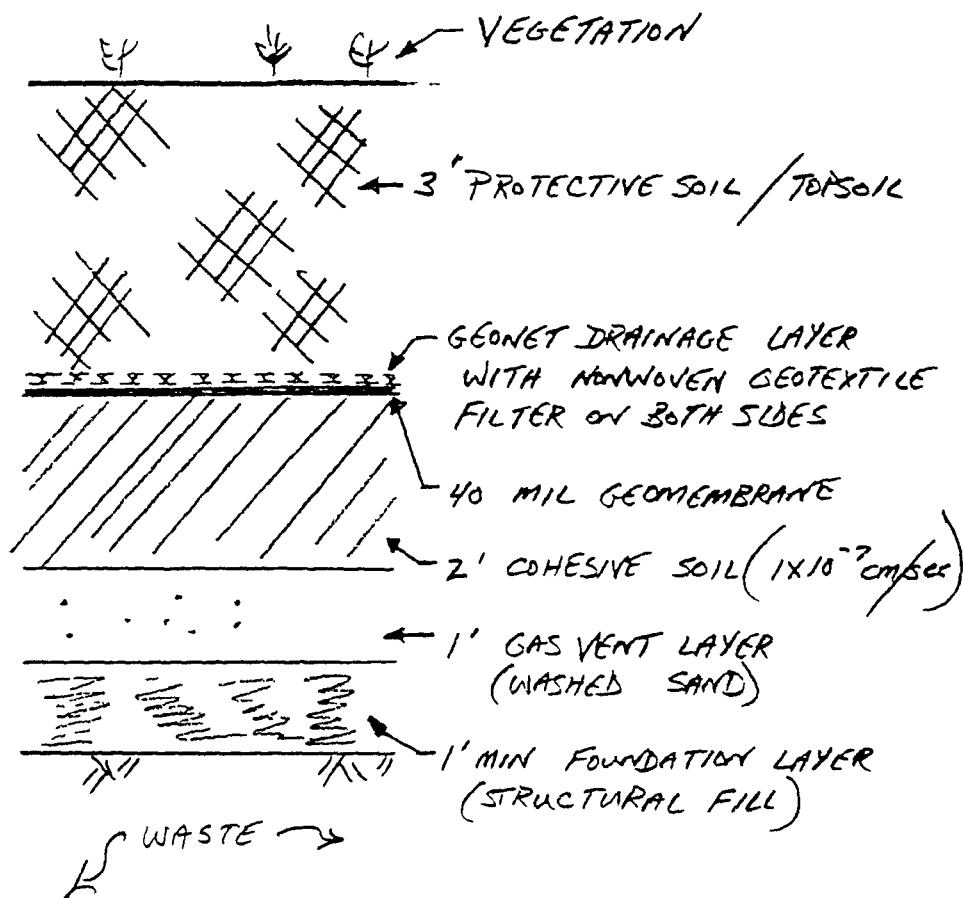


NOTE: ANCHOR BERM TO BE CONSTRUCTED OF STRUCTURAL FILL AND KEYED INTO COMPETENT SOIL

PRELIMINARY

CONCEPTUAL DESIGN

CAP PROFILE



PRELIMINARY

SUITABILITY RANKINGS

IHSS 115 / 196

CRITERIA:	REMEDIAL ALTERNATIVES:		
	Dispose Onsite	Dispose Offsite	Contain In Place
<u>Effectiveness</u>			
- Long-term risk	4	5	3
- Cleanup risk	2	1	5
- Time till protection achieved	4	2	5
- Regulatory compliance	5	5	4
- Reliability over life of project	5	5	4
- Residual risk	5	5	4
- Reduction of toxicity, mobility, and volume	5	5	4
- OVERALL	30 (4.3)	28 (4.0)	28 (4.0)
<u>Implementability</u>			
- Constructability	4	4	5
- Maintenance of operation	5	5	4
- Performance goals	5	5	4
- Demonstrated performance	5	4	3
- Availability of equipment, materials, and personnel	5	5	5
- Post-remedial site controls	5	5	5
- Coordination with agencies	5	3	4
- Approvals and permits	4	2	5
- Public acceptance	3	5	3
- OVERALL	41 (4.6)	38 (4.2)	38 (4.2)
<u>Cost Effectiveness</u>			
- Capital cost	4	3	5
- Operation & maintenance	4	5	4
- OVERALL	8 (4.0)	8 (4.0)	9 (4.5)
<u>TOTAL SCORE</u>	79 (4.4)	74 (4.1)	75 (4.2)

This ranking scheme is still somewhat arbitrary and is probably indefensible, but may have some advantages

- It uses 1 thru 5 rankings to more effectively express a fuller range of suitability
- It is more quantitative in an attempt to better distinguish relative suitability among the alternatives (i.e., a clear winner is determined for each criterion unless there is an obvious tie)
- There is no weighting of criteria, although weighting could be easily applied if desired
- A second category under cost effectiveness has been added

ATTACHMENT 8

AGENDA **OU5 CMS/FS Review Meeting**

January 25, 1995
Large East Conference Room (Interlocken)
2 PM - 3 PM

I Introduction

Meeting Purpose
Review Agenda

II Qualitative Evaluations Conducted to Date

Acknowledgement of Uncertainties
Data Needs (Hydrogeological Model, Geotechnical Data)
Components of a Defensible Analysis

III Best Way to Proceed for Landfill

Timelines (Figures 1 and 2)
Presumptive Remedy vs "Mini FS" vs FS
Advantages and Disadvantages of Different Approaches
Agreement on Best Approach

IV Conclusion

ATTENDANCE LIST

for
OU5 CMS /FS Review Meeting

January 25,1995

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2. Memo have come up to be a ^{no} cautions
1. Impervious - could be a sink

you are

- 7 am over design

2. Solid Plans - is ship & would

require a deep cuttings =
lots of cut

- also figure

depicting a typical beam

w/rough, color, ~~shape~~ ^{100' wide, 10' top}
indicating ~~100' wide~~ ^{10' top} of 100' long

110,000 cu yd for the beam

- but what about other

spheres steel pile, turning

- Quoted - this is preliminary
given that results of geo

tech prog are not yet in

- mark "deep bed plate

we have seen to 15'

- mark 4 - very conservative

idea (beam)

- Discussions regarding other

designs - structural & gel

- Mark w/4 - unskilled piece

were (tm 15) to further monitor

Mem 25, 1995 Presumptive Remedy Mtg pg 1/5

I Purpose: To determine if we are going
forward with the PresRemedy or not.

Review of Agenda

II Qualitative

- Previous qualitative results were

presented at

& CDH took back and reviewed &

came back w/a ~~new~~ different

qual approach.

- Acknowledged of Uncertainty

III

Figured - showed how we stacked the FS

w/a FS for the PresRemedy

Figure 1 - showed the design. Sch. w/maas

as the time to select the type of

cap

- showed balance of GMS/FS

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~~the analysis of the~~
type of analysis done as

a worst case for US landfills

• On site disposal site - don't eat into

prepared. will include more than just US

Figure 2

- Results of RI must be tied into

comparison in order to do a

defensible analysis of all

(DAA)

- Timeline shows how it would

get

there's no such thing as a

mine - FS. ^{either} ~~continued~~ guidance

or follow the full blown FS

Tim O'Rourke - guidance - streamline

EE/Ch ^{or} ~~study~~ ^{feasibility} study

Ciggy - ICLB Remedial actions are

CERCLA guidance

Bonnie - could find guidance

to do a main FS

Dave - agree

Ciggy - schedule

- would take out all that

don't make sense, is

mediation

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Figure 2 schedule continued

landfill is on practically the

same sch - separating worst

case that much.

RI Results needed

conceptual model, geotech info

often seeing RI's given engineers -

landfill - at the state not willing to

support a PWS remedy

Dave S - at this time cannot presume

a landfill is the best, if a

streamline FS results in a

landfill then the state

will support it.

Enrichi Corp. LLC / Elyate Disposal

CDPHE - would like to see

there as ~~possible~~ options

but recognizes what it

may not be an answer.

DOE - not about a landfill

ML - will do a remedial

design/ML - not about will

be a traditional baseline RA

Jan 23, 1995 Presumptive Ruddy Determined

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RUB Assessment

Tim - Eukaryotic group

even though identified

is not likely it needs to

be done to establish the

presence of

mark

ML - estimate not decided if it's a group or not

EPH covered - RME is recommended

not this is Kurt - ~~the~~ what does the state want,

consistent w/ an answer after you have

the presence of agency

Discrete Resources

Continuation - DC a full ES for the

landfill too because it is

the most appropriate.

- TM1 in Feb 95

- TM2 in Mar 95

→ This requirement for a separate report to President Geo Tech

Results must be - well not as a Pres Report

Further discussed - open space recreational well

DOE (west) suggested - open space recreational well

discussed in Feb 95 - be provided for the RA Assessment

EPH, Bernie Kallies from South

ODPHE, Carl Spreng, ~~and~~ Spang

DOE, Kurt Muenchrodt of land